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THE NEW LESSONS

The series of lessons now being used in some of our churches is called the "Trial Lectionary" and will come up for final adoption at the General Convention at Cleveland next fall. If it is adopted our people will never again have the experience of hearing some of the most wonderful stories ever written, the Old Testament hero tales, read with mathematical regularity on the same Sunday every year. Gone are the days when one could be sure that on the first Sunday of the Church Year the rector would read from Genesis the sublime account of man's first days upon the earth, and on the last Sunday the eloquent and moving description of old age and death from the Book of Ecclesiastes.

But while the annual repetition of these ancient tales will be missed, and some of the passages from the prophets which take their place will be as unintelligible to the average worshipper as a paragraph from "Science and Health," there will be a great advantage in having a stationary series. Most people no more desire changing lessons than changing epistles and gospels in the Holy Communion. One can have some sympathy with that old English squire whom the late Canon Shearme tells about. When the canon was preaching in a village church on the 21st Sunday after Trinity, as he read the story of Nebuchadnezzar, he distinctly heard the word "woodcocks" come from the squire's pew. Inquiring afterward of the parson, he was told that the squire knew that when the story of Nebuchadnezzar was read the woodcock season was at hand and he could not restrain his joy at the prospect.

G. C.

KNOWING BY HEART

The English have a unique Forward Movement. It is called the "Society of the Catechism" and advertises under the slogan "Forward to the Catechism." In the ears of many that will sound more like a backward than a forward movement, but who can tell? Perhaps the reactionaries have something there.

Maybe we were in too great a hurry to push the Catechism to the rear and make an opisthophulax out of it. Some are beginning to wonder if the children of our day wouldn't be better prepared for life if they memorized more of the world's great poetry and great doctrine, on the theory that when they do reach the age of understanding it will be helpful for them to have the words ready at hand to express their growing faith. Words are like works of art: the more we grow intellectually the more we see in them. "Rock of Ages" means nothing to the child but a tune. Yet the time will come when the words will be so charged with meaning that the man can hardly utter them for the feeling they excite.

G. C.

A REFORMER GOES TOO FAR

Prime Minister Churchill, with his virtual acceptance of the Beveridge plan for governmental assistance to every Britisher from the cradle to the grave, is not the only revolutionary in England's green and pleasant land. Only a few weeks before he proclaimed so eloquently his radical proposal for the State, another Englishman, the Vicar of Rainbow Hill (what an appropriate home for a visionary!), announced an equally iconoclastic scheme for the Church. This Vicar proposes seriously that for financial reasons the ancient and honorable titles of "deans" and "canons" in the English cathedrals be abolished everywhere and forever. Imagine that if you can.

"What, no canons!" the astonished Englishmen exclaimed. They were as shocked as any loyal American would be if some official in Washington sent out a spiteful suggestion that Kentucky should get along without "colonels" for the duration of the war.

We suppose the world will always be afflicted with such men as the Vicar of Rainbow Hill, but it will be a sad day when their drab, materialistic proposals prevail. If they do get the upper hand we shall be ruled by efficiency experts who will rob us of all the tinsel, bunting, brass bands, toy balloons and marshmallow whip of our social and political and religious life. They will abolish gold braid on our uniforms, cut the three buttons off our coat-sleeves, forbid calling anyone "past grand" or, "past exalted scribe," they will destroy political parties by forbidding their brassy fulminations and silencing their harmless hooey, they will wash all the color out of Church social life by denying her power to bestow such resounding titles as major canon, minor canon, prebendary, custodian, verger and beadle, and forcing her instead to use such prosaic and unsanctified names as assistant curate, secretary and janitor.

Unfortunately the process of disintegration has already begun: Birmingham, the second largest city in England, has a cathedral without either Dean or Canons-in-residence. What a shame! But in spite of this we hope the proposal of the Vicar of Rainbow Hill will die unsupported and unmourned. These reformers sometimes go just a little too far. The Church without canons would be a sundae without a cherry. We prefer the American way of plenty of titles, degrees, decorations, ribbons and cups, handed around freely to make life more interesting and colorful. Gray may be a good-wearing color but there is none of it in the rainbow, only in the clouds, and it never yet made a man's heart leap up like red and gold and blue.

G. C.

SPECIAL APPEALS FOR FUNDS

RESOLVED, That the Convention approves and endorses the action of the Executive Council that hereafter all special appeals by institutions, churches, or individuals, for funds or offerings within the Diocese of Pennsylvania be referred to the Department of Finance of the Executive Council for recommendation. (May, 1943.)

The Church News

OBJECT 1. To promote Unity of Diocesan Life by disseminating news of the Diocese, its institutions, parishes and missions, and by printing letters and pastorals by the Bishop from time to time. 2. To promote the Missionary and Benevolent Work of the Diocese by publishing reports and appeals, and by recording current news and events.

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Bishop Taitt's Message

As this is the last issue of THE CHURCH NEWS until October, it is pleasant to review the many cheering and hopeful things of the past year. We had a glorious Lent. Since the demolition of the Garrick Theatre, we have not had a theatre so well located for our services and consequently attendance decreased. This year the Brotherhood Service combined with that of St. Stephen's Church, with the result that the attendance at that church was greater than both places last year. I was privileged to begin and end the services. On Ash Wednesday there was a magnificent attendance, crowding the church. On Good Friday we began service five minutes before the scheduled time because they were already turning people away. Every spot was occupied. People were seated on the steps of the Chancel; standing around the walls and at the back of the church; the galleries were filled and the steps leading thereto; the vestibules were crowded and people were standing far into the street. A friend of mine, seeing the crowds, tried to reach the gallery, but when half-way up could neither proceed nor recede. He said, "I never got a glimpse of you but heard every word." After my first service a number returned to their work, but their places were filled for the Passion Music. After this another exit and entrance for the 2 o'clock service was made, at which I preached, and a 2.30 service at which I also officiated. The church was completely filled until the conclusion at 3 P. M. Nineteen centuries after men felt that a crucified Man would never be heard of again, millions throughout the world crowded His temple to make reparation.

At Easter, as usual, all the churches were filled. It is said that a rector, after complimenting his

congregation, said, "I suppose that many here today will not grace the church until next Easter so I will take this opportunity of wishing you a 'Happy Christmas'!"

The Convention was splendidly attended and, while different views were expressed, the spirit was exceedingly good. The service on



Monday night was wonderfully uplifting. One of the great joys was the Children's Lenten Offering.

We had outgrown the capacity of any church. We then filled two churches, but the division took away some of the enthusiasm. For several years we had a most successful service on the grounds of the Episcopal Academy. Because of gas rationing, we feared for the service this year. However, to our delight there were quite as many present, several thousand entering into the enthusiastic service. The offering amounted to \$41,272.00. Our Diocese usually has the largest offering of any in the United States. I think that will be the case this

year. For this we earnestly thank the Department of Religious Education. On May 6th, the U. T. O. offering of our women was made at the Church of St. Luke and the Epiphany, a sum of \$12,206.94 to date, which, with the previous offerings of the triennium and the one to follow in the autumn, ought to make possible the largest Woman's Auxiliary offering of the United States. All of these things give great joy to your Bishop and to others greatly interested in the spread of the Kingdom of God.

Francis M. Taitt

PRESENTATION SERVICE

Seemingly, neither overcast skies nor transportation difficulties kept anyone away from the Presentation Service of the Children's Lenten Offering on Sunday, May 16th, which once again was held on the beautiful grounds of the Episcopal Academy. Over 800 children in colorful vestments, crucifers and flag bearers, marched with our Bishops and Deans across the campus to the altar at the west end of the field.

The service was beautiful and inspiring. During the singing of a hymn representatives from the parishes present brought to the altar a symbol of their offering. The Rev. J. Wesley Twelves, Chairman of the Church School Committee, which had charge of the service, announced the offering as amounting to \$39,995.67, with 25 parishes still to be heard from. (The offering has now reached \$41,272, an increase of almost \$2,500 over last year.)

Bishop Taitt and Bishop Hart congratulated the children on their splendid offering and challenged them to continue their fine Church work through the year.

Bishop Hart's Message

As I write this message, we are preparing for the celebration of Rogation Sunday, and the Rogation Days which immediately follow. Underlying this celebration is our conviction that this is God's universe, that He made it and controls it. We can say, therefore, as the Apostle Paul said, "He that ploweth should plow in hope." The farmer plows and sows the seed because he believes that there is a relationship between the sowing of the seed and the reaping of the harvest. The farmer does not wait for ideal conditions. He always has to plow in hope.

This is a good time for vestries and other Church leaders to take stock and ask, "What kind of seed are we sowing in our parish?" The parish that says, "We will not sow any seed. We will simply try to hold our own," is a parish that does not deserve a harvest—it deserves to die and will do so. The World Conference on Life and Work at Oxford in 1937 said truly, "The Church has duties laid upon it by God which at all cost it must perform, among which the chief is to proclaim the word of God and to make disciples." One-half of America is not a member of any church. Is our heritage one which we are selfishly to enjoy or is it a gift from God which we are to share with others? What contribution will my parish make to the spread of Christ's kingdom in the next ten years because of the seed which we are sowing today?

Great Service Planned

On Sunday night, October 31st, we are planning a great diocesan service to the glory of God and in loving recognition of the devoted service of Bishop Taitt. On October 4th, Bishop Taitt will celebrate the fourteenth anniversary of his consecration. We shall have to observe that together in Cleveland where we plan to be at General Convention. On November 1st, Bishop Taitt turns over the administration of the Diocese to me. He has told me that he will continue to do anything for the Diocese, save give advice. Naturally, I want him to continue to visit parishes for confirmation as far as his strength will permit. The Standing Committee will have charge of the service on the night of October 31st and will



probably issue a limited number of tickets to each parish. The offering at this service will be made for the Endowment of the Episcopate. With characteristic single-hearted devotion to the Diocese, Bishop Taitt has asked that the offering be one that will build for the future. I should like to see every communicant and every child in the Diocese have a part in this offering. I suggest that each vestry appoint a small committee *now* who, throughout the summer will give everyone an opportunity to contribute to this offering. Perhaps some will want to give war savings stamps or bonds. The Standing Committee will announce later the plans for this great service, but meanwhile I will appreciate all that you can do to make sure that we show Bishop Taitt that we share his interest and concern for the future of the Diocese.

I am looking forward to meeting many of you at the Diocesan Conference at Beaver College in July.

Oliver Hart

Bishop Coadjutor.

METHODISTS HEAR BISHOP

At the weekly meeting of the Methodist Ministers of Philadelphia and vicinity, in Simpson Hall, at 17th and Arch Streets, on Monday, May 24th, Bishop Hart was the special guest speaker.

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CLERICAL BROTHERHOOD

The last meeting until fall of the Clerical Brotherhood is scheduled at the Church House on Monday, June 14th. The Rev. William Newman Parker, Rector of Epiphany, Sherwood, will speak on "Recruiting for the Ministry."

CLERGY CONFERENCE

The Episcopal Academy was the setting for an all-day conference on "The Church and the Community," the National Forward in Service objective for 1943-44, on Wednesday, June 9th. Bishop Hart presided at both the morning and afternoon sessions.

ST. STEPHEN'S SERVICE CLUB AT WORK

After the First Six Weeks

The Diocese has reason to be pleased with the progress that has been made at the Service Club since its opening on April 14th. More than 2,845 men have found rest and recreation in what one soldier has called, "the most home-like service club in Philadelphia. From early morning until late at night, every day in the week, men from all the armed services—soldiers, sailors, air corps and marines—are constantly coming and going.

The British Are Coming

Recently a British cruiser limped into port at four knots an hour with her entire prow blown off. The Chaplain of the ship, Padre Boulton-Jones, learned that St. Stephen's Service Club was "C. of E." (Church of England). You can guess the rest. It has been home for the English lads ever since they put foot in Philadelphia. French sailors, with and without the Lorraine Cross on their sleeves, Christian and Mohammedan, all our allies, are learning what our own boys have discovered: St. Stephen's Service Club is the place to go for a real welcome ashore.

The Comforts One Needs

The other day a paratrooper came in and asked if he might shave himself. One hour later he was still primping for a date. He had pressed his uniform, shined his shoes and indulged in all the facilities which the upper floor of the Club provides.

When 5 o'clock rolls around the men commence to gather at the snack bar where there is always plenty of tasty food and hot and cold drinks served up by the gracious hostesses from the Parishes.

A Busy Program

There isn't an evening without its entertaining attractions—the sketch artist, the harmonica teacher, the square dancing teacher, and our friends who bring recording machines on occasions, all have their followings throughout the week. Wednesday evening is known among the servicemen as "tops" because of the smart variety show supplied by the Entertainment Bureau of the Council of Defense. Friday evening is equally popular because our own entertainment committee always

provides a popular dance band. In the very near future these popular programs will be augmented by a full-length feature film weekly, and by boxing tournaments under the direction of the Veteran Boxers' Association.

Parents Express Appreciation

Innumerable letters have been received from parents who have learned from the Club of their sons' whereabouts after months of silence. The service men who have been ordered to leave this area proudly bring their sweethearts and families to meet the staff of the Club, which has been home to them.

One mother writes:

"I received your St. Stephen's card this morning, saying my son had been there and that he was well and happy. I can't tell you how much I appreciate that card and how comforting it was to know that you are looking after my boy."

There's one from down South—Lafayette, Ga.:

"Dear Friends: I was very glad to get the card from your Club telling me my son was well, for I had not heard from him for a long time. May God bless you in your work there."

More Laymen Needed

There is so much to be pleased about the manner in which the girls and women and clergy of our parishes have responded to this essential work, it is easy to overlook the things which can only be improved by honest criticism. There is much our laymen could do to develop our athletic program and assist the women as hosts for each evening. We must seek to double the number of men who are coming regularly to the Club because of the continual movement of service men. Junior and senior hostesses are in constant demand.

Parishes desiring to participate in these activities should communicate with Mrs. Richard Van Hook at the Service Club between the hours of 3 and 11.30 P. M. Please phone Lombard 0455.

FETE AT GLORIA DEI

A very colorful and successful Fete was held in the church and on the grounds of Gloria Dei (Old Swedes') on Saturday, May 22nd. Color guards of the U. S. Coast Guard and the British and French naval units participated in the procession.

THE CHURCHWOMAN'S CLUB

The Churchwoman's Club enjoyed a most successful spring season. On April 27th they had their annual service at St. James' Church. A card party was given on April 29th in the club rooms to raise funds for the coal fund. On May 14th a delightful musical and tea was held at the club house.

The Council of the Club sponsored a tea at Strawberry Mansion on May 14th. This event was an outstanding success. Mrs. Edgar Allen Poe was the guest speaker and her garden pictures were beautiful. The annual Strawberry Festival was held on May 25th in the clubhouse. This event was well attended and everyone enjoyed a perfect, homey evening.

The Club is being maintained as it was under the leadership of Mrs. J. Alison Scott. A memorial plaque, including a large photograph and a sketch of Mrs. Scott's life, has been installed in the clubrooms.

The Red Cross unit and Sewing Group have accomplished a large amount of work. The Club contributed to the War Chest, Red Cross and a large number of diocesan mission projects.

Special attention is called to Miss Jamison's Spanish classes, which are held every Tuesday in the clubhouse.

The Club is growing under the exceptional leadership of its President, Mrs. Jessie S. Walker. She calls attention to the fact that all diocesan organizations are cordially invited to make use of the Club and to become members, and that the annual Supper and Sale will be held on November 30th, 1943.

INSTITUTION AT HOLY APOSTLES

The Rev. John Henry Augustus Bomberger, B.D., was instituted as rector of the Church of the Holy Apostles, at a great service on Sunday evening, May 23rd. The Rt. Rev. Oliver J. Hart, D.D., officiated, and the Rev. Nathanael B. Groton, of the Standing Committee and rector of St. Thomas', Whitmarsh, preached the sermon. The Rev. Charles H. Long, Secretary of the Diocese, and the Rev. Elden B. Mowers, of Holy Apostles, assisted. All of the clergy of the several chapels were in the procession, and the combined choirs led the singing.

Woman's Auxiliary and the Juniors

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

During the summer when our routine of meetings is suspended is a splendid time to catch up with our reading and study and contemplation—"The rest of God is in a realm beyond all man's activities; enter there often and you will indeed find rest and joy."

My hope is that wherever we are we may be able to arrange for a group to pray, read and study. Our thoughts are turning to the Triennial October 2nd to 9th. In order to receive the greatest benefit from the program that is already planned for the next Triennium, and to help our parishes and Diocese carry out that program, the following background reading is suggested: "Which Way Ahead?" by Walter Russell Bowie (Harpers, \$1.50); "The Church and the New Order," by William Paton (Macmillan, \$1.50); "Christian Europe Today," by Adolph Keller (Harpers, \$3.00); "America's Changing Frontiers," by Mark Dawber (Friendship Press, 15 cents); and "Guide to Study of America's Social Problems" (Columbia University Press, \$1.00).

During the months ahead let us remind ourselves that if Christianity and our Church are to go forward, ours is the responsibility.

MARGARET PACKARD.

ELECTIONS

At the annual meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary of the Diocese, held on May 24th, the following officers and delegates were elected:

1st Vice-Pres. and Chairman of Dept. of Missions—

Mrs. Marmaduke Tilden

7th Vice-Pres. and Chairman of Dept. of Finance—

Miss Margaret Bullitt

Treasurer—

Mrs. Jasper W. Nicolls

Delegates to Session at General Convention—

Mrs. Francis Packard
Mrs. Marmaduke Tilden
Mrs. Disston Rile
Mrs. William H. Jefferys
Miss Julia Hill

Alternates—

Mrs. Edward Ingersol
Mrs. John E. Hill
Mrs. Oliver J. Hart
Mrs. W. Grant Beath
Mrs. George Trowbridge

UNITED THANK OFFERING

The Diocesan Spring Presentation of the United Thank Offering was held on Thursday, May 6th, at 10:30 A. M. at St. Luke and the Epiphany under unusual circumstances. Shortly before the service began the sirens sounded and many of the congregation, including the organist, were caught in the alert. With only the chancel lighted Bishop Hart began the service. In the darkness it was most impressive for it was possible to appreciate the chancel and stained-glass windows as never before.

Dr. Salmon preached on the joy and opportunity in the work of the United Thank Offering and impressed upon his hearers that now, more than ever before, the work is needed. He said, in part, "We are not our brother's keeper, we are our brother's brother." As he came to the close of his sermon the "all clear" sounded and the lights in the church came on. Each was impressed that no matter what may happen the Church must go on.

The Offering was presented and then Bishop Hart led in reciting the hymn, "Holy Offerings Rich and Rare." Bishop Taitt presented the Offering at the altar and led in the Thank Offering Prayer before reading the eleven names that had been added in the Book of Remembrance since the Fall In-gathering.

Truly it was a Thanksgiving Service, as the women in the Diocese were conscious of their many blessings. The Offering to date amounts to \$12,206.94. The books will be open until June 15th and there is every reason to believe that the goal of \$15,000 can be realized.

On account of General Convention meeting early in October, the Fall In-gathering will be early: Tuesday, September 28th, at St. Stephen's Church, 10th Street below Chestnut, at 8 P. M.

CHRISTIAN SOCIAL RELATIONS

"A Just and Durable Peace" was the subject of an inspiring address by the Reverend Elmore McKee, D.D., who spoke before the Department of Christian Social Relations of the Woman's Auxiliary, Friday, May 21st, at the Church House. Dr.

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JUNIOR W. A. NEWS

"The main object for the young women of the Auxiliary should be to help make their parish a strong and effective one," challenged the Rt. Rev. Oliver J. Hart, D.D., in his address at the Twelfth Annual Dinner of the Junior Woman's Auxiliary, held May 12th at Kugler's Restaurant. "A Diocese can only be as strong as its individual parishes and if the parishes can only work as a family unit that Diocese will be all the more powerful. As members of the Church we should feel it our task to bring one new member to confirmation every year. We must also make it a practice to say something good about our parish each week. Tell others about our religion instead of being reticent and we can do great things in Evangelism."

In the absence of Mrs. Packard, President of the Woman's Auxiliary, Mrs. James T. Davis represented the Executive Board and also challenged the young women "to share their Christian heritage with others and take advantage of their opportunity as women of the Church." As representative of the Woman's Auxiliary on the War Commission of the Diocese, she spoke of the need for Junior Hostesses and other volunteers for St. Stephen's Service Center. All must register at St. Stephen's, Fridays, from 3 o'clock in the afternoon. She also thanked the members of the Junior Woman's Auxiliary for their share in equipping the Altar at the Navy Yard Chapel.

Mrs. Oliver J. Hart was introduced to the young women not only as the Bishop's wife but as a former President of the Junior Woman's Auxiliary in the Diocese of Washington.

Rev. Tollie L. Caution, of St. Augustine's Church, pronounced the benediction.

Interesting annual reports of the year's work were presented by the various chairmen and tribute was paid to the young women in service.

Mrs. Frank Knapp, second Vice-Chairman for Christian Social Relations, and Miss Eva Young, Treasurer, were both re-elected for the coming three years.

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DIOCESAN EVENING BRANCH

The third year for the Diocesan Evening Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary finds this splendid group of business and professional women increasing in activity, unity, and strength in the work of the Woman's Auxiliary. The monthly suppers and meetings, so abounding in good fellowship, have an average attendance of fifty, with twenty-nine parishes represented.

A strong accent at each meeting is placed on devotions, frequently including a brief meditation. In addition to covering our Five Fields of Service in our program for the year, we manage to include all current matters needing any kind of support, such as the Bishop's Fund for China Aid, gift for the Navy Yard Chapel, gifts and cards for our men in service, scholarships for Church School by Mail, and support through money and gifts for missions and hospitals both in and out of our Diocese. An annual card party in October aids greatly in our social service gifts and work.

One or two Quiet Evenings, the study of the Lenten subject, and at least one visit to a diocesan institution, are provided for yearly.

A prayer circle has been formed in the interest of Deaconess Newbold's work at the Cathedral. Every day of the month prayers are offered for her and her work by one or more members of our group. Altar flowers for the Cathedral are supplied twice yearly by our branch.

Two of our members have been serving in the Mission Shop. Sewing of garments for the Supply Department is done both at home and at the meetings, under the chairmanship of Mrs. Ralph C. Putnam.

It is our aim to co-operate as fully as possible with our Diocesan officers who are doing such magnificent work in the Woman's Auxiliary.

MARIA B. SAMUEL,
Program Chairman.
CLARE ZELLEY, *Chairman.*

AN IDEA TAKES HOLD

The Rev. W. Hamilton Aulenbach, Rector of Christ Church and St. Michael's, Germantown, put into effective operation at the morning service on Sunday, May 23rd, the plan to have "a man in the Church for a man in the Service." At least 100 men in the congregation will represent that many at the front.

EPISCOPAL HOSPITAL

Summer brings no promise of vacation this year.

Just as our men and women work unceasingly in lands afar, so must we at home join them by keeping the light of liberty burning here to welcome their return. Many wounded men make an ever increasing demand upon our hospitals and we must see that *our Hospital*, of the Episcopal Church, is at all times ready and able to care for them.

This means volunteer aid from one and all, young and old. Girls returning from schools need not look around for "something to do," for many tasks await their aid. Summer, too, will give the Auxiliaries time to prepare their individual "May Fetes," the financial results of which are more necessary than ever. So work with us and for us at our Episcopal Hospital and may we be able to say at the Appreciation Tea on November 1st, "We heard, we came and our work is well done."

BLANCHE MCNEAL,
Chairman of Publicity.

CO-OPERATION

The Rev. Edward Platts, who serves at St. James, Perkiomen, under the Rev. Nathanael B. Groton, of St. Thomas', Whitemarsh, reports a significant plan to provide church services for the faculty and students of Ursinus College. On the second Sunday after Easter, May 9th, a Corporate Communion was held in Trinity Reformed Church, Collegeville, at the cordial invitation of the Pastor, Rev. John Lentz, followed by breakfast in the home of Dr. Norman E. McClure, President of Ursinus and himself a loyal Churchman. As on a previous occasion, there were about a dozen students and faculty members present. It is hoped to continue these services, made possible through the generous co-operation of the Pastor of Trinity Reformed Church, at intervals throughout the coming year.

HOUSE OF THE HOLY CHILD

At the annual meeting of the Board of Directors of the House of the Holy Child, held on Monday, May 10th, some interesting case histories were reported. Here are two of them:

Teddy

Teddy was born in a state institution, where his mother, an irresponsible white girl, had been sent as a delinquent. The identity of his colored father was unknown, and there was no place in the mother's family for this unwanted boy, nor any placement service in his county for colored children. But Teddy had to live somewhere, so off he went to a small children's home. Here he was completely isolated from the other children as he was the only colored child there, and that was why they wanted him placed in a foster home. He was not developing properly and was becoming more queer every day. When he was removed (at two years) he could not even stand on his feet for lack of exercise, since he had been kept cooped up in a crib in a room by himself. He looked and acted like a little animal. A local church society became interested and financially arranged to remove Teddy and place him in the only foster home available in his county. By this time these elderly people were no longer able to handle this strange little boy, child welfare service had come to the county and they turned to the House of the Holy Child for help. Teddy is now living in one of our foster homes in the country, where he is learning to romp and play, to go to school and to church like any other little boy of his age. The House of the Holy Child is giving him a second chance at life.

Danny

More than half of Danny's four years have been spent in hospitals, as he developed a seriously crippling disease when he was just a little over two. When he finally was ready to leave the last hospital to go home, his home was no longer awaiting him, for his father had died and his mother and older sister were in hospitals, ill of the same disease which had crippled this baby and claimed his father's life. Fortunately for Danny, and for other boys and girls like him, the work of the House of St. Michael and All Angels, begun so many years ago by faithful members of the Sisterhood of St. Margaret of the Episcopal Church, and long sponsored by the Diocese of Pennsylvania, is still being carried on by another Church inspired agency, the House of the Holy Child. So Danny went to a foster home, where he could have his second chance for a normal, happy life as an accepted and loved member of a family group, and where he could be under the care and supervision of some of the finest orthopedic and pediatric physicians in the country, through the clinics which he attends regularly with his visitor from the agency.

GIRLS' FRIENDLY SOCIETY

Holiday House, the Cape May Vacation Center, is registering guests for the week-ends beginning June 1st; and for the regular season through Labor Day, September 6th. July is given over to the Juniors, under Miss Caroline Wagner, and the house will be full to overflowing. The Chairman of the Diocesan Committee and House Mother of Holiday House, Mrs. William W. Caldwell, is looking forward to a very busy season despite the curtailment of motor transportation. The Rector of the Church of the Advent serves as Chaplain for the House; and, besides Sunday services at church, there is a celebration of the Holy Communion in the Chapel at the House every Wednesday morning.

Project for Younger Members

Miss Dorothy Fisher, of Trinity Church, Oxford, is heading a special service program for the Younger Members, at the Harrison Home, of the Episcopal Hospital. Already they have painted the porch furniture, and are planning other useful activities.

Successful Conference

On May 19th, at Holy Trinity Parish House, a very useful conference on "Women and Girls Face War Reality" was held, at which Miss Sarah Speer, of Christ Church and St. Michael's, presided. Mrs. Lawrence Robinson, wife of the British Consul; Mrs. Elizabeth Young, Assistant Director of the South Broad Street U. S. O., and Miss Maurine McKernan, of the Philadelphia Record, made effective addresses.

Service at Canteens

The G. F. S. is continuing to be responsible for supplying the Snack Bar on Saturday evenings at the South Broad Street U. S. O. Also, a fund is being raised to supply milk and cookies for St. Stephen's Service Club.

MRS. HERBERT P. ONYX

Word was received on June 1st of the death of Mrs. Herbert P. Onyx, in the West Chester Hospital, following a heart attack. She was a member of Holy Trinity, West Chester, and was the Director of the Church Periodical Club for a number of years. Her husband is the sole survivor.

THE DEACONESSSES

The Deaconess Chapter met in the Church House on Wednesday morning, April 14, 1943. The special business to be considered was to discuss a memorial passed by the New York Chapter of Deaconesses, as follows:

WHEREAS: The Order of Deaconesses has the authority of General Convention as being the only recognized Ministry of Women in the Church, the Order having been revived by Dr. Huntington in 1889 and reaffirmed by General Convention in Denver in 1931, and

WHEREAS: The work of Deaconesses is much needed in parishes, missions and institutions throughout the Church, and

WHEREAS: Many of the Clergy are doubtful of the meaning and usefulness of the Order, and

WHEREAS: The Order depends upon the training of its members before they are set apart, and

WHEREAS: The several local training schools throughout the Church have almost ceased to function through lowering of standards, diminishing number of students, lack of leadership, financial difficulties, or other causes, and

WHEREAS: The Advisory Commission on the Work of Deaconesses is the body appointed by General Convention to represent the Order; be it

RESOLVED: That the Chapter petition the Commission to present to General Convention at its meeting in 1943, a plan for a National Training School, at such place as they may select; sponsored by the Commission; and made known by them to the whole Church, such authority assuring both students for the school and Deaconesses trained for the Church's work.

The Deaconesses present unanimously adopted this Memorial, which was signed by them individually and forwarded to the Advisory Commission on the Work of Deaconesses, urging its favorable consideration and action but clarifying the aim by asking for a plan for a "National Training School for Deaconesses" and also notifying Bishops Taft and Hart of this action.

The following deaconesses in this Diocese, interested in this matter, signed the resolution: Deaconesses Ruth Johnson, Elizabeth G. Newbold, Addie F. Morris, Lillian Kaighn, H. Alice Nutter, Anna C. Norris, Agnes Howell, Mabel Adams and Zulma Bispham.

BOARD ELECTS BISHOP HART

At a recent meeting of the Church Pension Fund and Affiliates, Bishop Hart was elected to the Board of Directors of the Church Properties Fire Insurance Corporation, a subsidiary of the Church Pension Fund, of which he is a Trustee.

NEW RECTOR FOR ST. LUKE'S

The Rev. S. Tagart Steele, Jr., D.D., vicar of the Chapel of the Intercession, Trinity Parish, New York, has accepted the call to the rectorship of St. Luke's Church, Germantown, in succession to the Rev. Harvey D. Butterfield, who resigned recently because of ill health. Dr. Steele is well known in the Diocese of Pennsylvania and was formerly rector of St. David's Church, Roland Park, Baltimore. His resignation as vicar of The Intercession is effective August 1st, 1943, and he will assume his duties at St. Luke's on September 1st.

CONFERENCE FOR RECRUITS

The annual spring conference for students interested in considering the vocation of the ministry, under the auspices of the Commission of the Diocese, of which the Rev. Wm. N. Parker, Rector of Epiphany, Sherwood, is Chairman, was held at St. Paul's Church, Overbrook, on Saturday, May 29, 1943. There were 16 students of high school age present, from ten parishes, and 11 of the clergy, including Bishop Hart, members of the Commission, and the Rev. J. Samuel Stevenson, St. Mary's, West Philadelphia; the Rev. Benjamin R. Priest, St. James', Philadelphia, and the Rev. Paul R. Rhinehardt, St. James, Prospect Park, who spoke on assigned topics.

WIN WITH TIN

Homemakers! This is YOUR job: Wash the cans, pull off labels, flatten and place in a *SEPARATE* box on trash day. Collections are made in Philadelphia the first full week of every month.

VACATION CHURCH SCHOOLS

The committee on Vacation Church Schools has received reports of thirty-three schools being held in the Diocese this summer. Many are talking of a summer time program in our parishes; the war-time needs of our children, etc. These churches are utilizing a valuable means of Christian education in the Vacation Church School. They will welcome visitors to their schools; and a list of the places and dates will be available in the office of the Department of Religious Education at the Church House.

The Diocesan Summer Conference

Let's talk about the Diocesan Summer Conference! Everybody in the Diocese, of course, is interested in this annual undertaking and the Department of Christian Education is just a little bit proud of the splendid reputation these conferences have; there is no doubt that they have been a great force of inspiration to the many, young and old, who have attended them in the past and it is our sincere desire to make them just as helpful in the years to come.

In writing this article we are well aware of the fact that we are addressing three distinct groups. In the first place there are many of us who have attended these conferences before—to those, I dare say, the following will be some glorious reminiscence and that alone will make them take their fountain pen and fill out the registration blank. Then, naturally, we have some who always "intend" to go to the Conference but somehow never go. We earnestly hope that they will decide this year that nothing is going to interfere with their original intentions and share with the others the many happy, helpful and inspiring hours at Beaver College. And finally, we are also addressing that small group of persons who do not quite know what conferences are like—they are, shall we say, slightly afraid of that word and tremble at the thought of taking a week's vacation in order to spend hours and hours in unpleas-

ant classrooms trying to follow a dull and highly intellectual lecture on some remote subject and discuss it later on with a group of perfect strangers. If they were right we would be inclined to associate ourselves with this last group, but they are wrong! And we are going to show this by telling what our conference is like.

For several years our Summer Conference has been held at Ursinus College. This year, however, due to the war, this college was not available for conferences. Fortunately we were able to secure the attractive accommodations of Beaver College in Jenkintown, a place well equipped for conferences with a nice chapel, airy classrooms, spacious dormitories, an excellent campus, a good athletic field and an indoor swimming pool. The date of the conference, July 4th-9th, naturally already has been placed on your calendar and we do not have to talk about that.

Now with the place and the date straightened out, let us take a look at the conference itself and we suggest that we describe to you a full day of the conference-life. If, after you see that well-planned, well-balanced schedule, you still think that conferences are dull, we, politely but most definitely, beg to differ with you.

At a quarter to seven you will hear the melodious tones of the campus bell, a mere friendly sug-



Approach to Beaver Hall



A Session Outdoors

gestion to you to roll out of bed. And I might state right here that your good friend and mine, the Rev. Aaron Manderbach, who for several years now has been entrusted with this most important function, has attained a certain amount of skill so that even the rising bell has a rather pleasant tone. Half an hour later we find ourselves in the chapel for the service of Holy Communion, where, at God's altar, we feel the blessing derived from His Presence and the reassurance of His eternal care and guidance. Breakfast follows this service and you will find



Hall from Jenkintown Station

the dining room most attractive and spacious. After we finish this meal, one is expected to put his or her room in order and then you can stroll around for a while, talk about the weather, or the beans in your Victory Garden, or any other subject you care to talk about or listen to.

At 9.15 we meet in the chapel for the chaplain's half hour, always a highly treasured moment of the day. We all are so happy that Bishop Hart has consented to be our Chaplain this year and we are certain

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At Beaver College, Jenkintown

July 4 - July 9, 1943

Beaver College is at Jenkintown Station on the Reading Railroad and three-quarters of a mile from York Road and Bus 55

Dean: The Rev. Peter C. Van der Hiel, Jr.

Daily Schedule

7.15 A.M.—Holy Communion

8.00 A.M.—Breakfast

9.15 A.M.—Chaplain's Half Hour

Chaplain: The Right Rev. Oliver J. Hart, D.D.

Courses

9.50-11.50 A.M.—First and Second Periods

10.40-10.55 A.M.—Recess

"We are the Church"

"Know It" "Live It"

The titles to these courses describe the content or the "Know It" part of our theme, from which each group will study and discuss how best to "Live It." These are two-hour courses, part lecture—part discussion and class work. Elect one of the four subjects and stay in that class for all five mornings.

THE VALUE OF THE OLD TESTAMENT TODAY

Lecturer—The Rev. John M. Groton, S.T.D., Professor, The Divinity School, Philadelphia.
Discussion Leader—Miss Katharine A. Grammer, Dean of Women, The Divinity School, Philadelphia.

THE MESSAGE OF CHRIST FOR TODAY

Lecturer—The Rev. Elden B. Mowers, Assistant Minister, Church of the Holy Apostles.
Discussion Leader—Miss Dorothy Scott, Director of Religious Education, St. Mary's Church, Ardmore.

WHAT WE BELIEVE

Lecturer—The Rev. Arthur Murray, Rector, Church of the Resurrection, Philadelphia.
Discussion Leader—The Rev. M. Mills Garcia, Priest in charge, Holy Trinity Mission, Lansdale.

WORSHIP

Lecturer—The Rev. Edmund B. Wood, Rector, St. Timothy's Church, Roxborough.
Discussion Leader—The Rev. James C. Gilbert, Rector, St. James Church, Kingessing.

11.55-12.45 P.M.—Third Period

"Prove It"

Elect the course which will help you most in your parish.

TEACHING IN THE CHURCH SCHOOL

Miss Elizabeth P. Frazier and Miss Beryl M. Newman, Administrative and Assistant Secretaries of the Department of Christian Education.

A course on techniques and materials. Bring the course book you plan to use next year and you will have special coaching.

TRAINING IN LEADERSHIP FOR YOUTH

The Rev. Frederick H. Arterton, Executive Secty., Division of Youth, National Council.
The Rev. John N. Peabody, Chairman, Youth Commission, Diocese of Pennsylvania.

New approaches to the special problems facing young people today. Practical help in planning programs, conducting meetings, etc. This course is for young people and their advisors.

WOMEN'S SHARE IN THE PARISH PROGRAM

Mrs. Alfred Madison Chapman, Member of our national Forward Movement Commission.
Miss Julia Hill, Provincial Director of Promotion, Woman's Auxiliary.

This course will discuss the 1943-44 Forward in Service emphasis and study programs. An afternoon session will give opportunity for a discussion of organization and program problems in Woman's Auxiliary groups.

APPRECIATION OF CHURCH MUSIC

The Rev. Frank Williamson, Jr., Vicar, St. Michael's Chapel, Yeadon.

A study of the music of the Church which will help in our appreciation of it.

1.00 P.M.—Luncheon

2.00-3.00 P.M.—Study Period

3.00 P.M.—Afternoon Activities

Woman's Auxiliary.....Miss Julia Hill
Library.....Miss Eleanor A. Deane
Nature Walks.....Mr. Fred J. Doolittle
Rehearsals for Religious Drama

The Rev. John R. Crockett
Special Events—To be announced.
Baseball, Tennis, Swimming.

6.15 P.M.—Dinner

7.15 P.M.—Sunset Service

Reader—The Rev. Edgar C. Young, D.D., Vicar, Phillips Brooks Memorial Chapel.

8.00 P.M.—Evening Program

Sunday—Chaplain's Opening Service

Monday—Movies

Tuesday—The Rev. Frederick H. Arterton

Wednesday—Quiz . . . Girls vs. Boys

Interpretation Please!—Faculty Experts.

Thursday—Masquerade followed by a Religious Drama

Every Evening—Sings, Games or Dancing in the Gym

10.30 P.M.—Dormitory Meetings—Quiet

RATES

Board and tuition, \$17.00

REGISTRATION

Should be made in advance, with a deposit of \$2.00. Checks payable to—Summer Conference, Diocese of Pennsylvania, and sent to the Church House, 202 S. 19th St., Philadelphia.

This conference, sponsored by the Department of Christian Education, is planned for all ages and open to all members of the Diocese who are 15 years old or over.

It is established to provide training and inspiration in Church life and work.

CHURCH PERIODICAL CLUB

The Pennsylvania branch of the Church Periodical Club is pleased that it has been able, during the past year, to keep pace with all the other diocesan branches of the Church in America, especially when the "going" has been under such rigid restrictions; and it is looking forward to "standing shoulder to shoulder" in the future work. Already a plea has come from Dr. Francis Wei, of Central China College, hoping the Church Periodical Club can build up a library to be shipped to them after peace comes.

The C. P. C. gave such valuable help to the library in this college several years ago, it is natural that Dr. Wei should again appeal to this organization for aid.

Owing to the restrictions of travel and hotel accommodations, the Church Periodical Club cannot meet with the General Convention in Cleveland this coming October, but in compliance with its constitution and by-laws, which necessitates the election of national officers at this time, the meeting must be held at the same time as the General Convention. So Chicago, Illinois, has been chosen by the National Executive Board as the meeting place.

There are still unfulfilled requests for magazines, which can be alleviated by those willing to re-mail their magazines to less fortunate persons; also if one is at a loss for occupation during the summer, scrap books and cards of a suitable size, on which pictures are pasted, for use of children in hospitals, can be made. The pleasure derived from these is untold. Also, the work for our armed forces must be kept going, so no need for idle moments.

N. B.—The Annual Report for 1942 shows the C. P. C. at work in 74 places in the Diocese.

BISHOP HART AT MEDIA

Bishop Hart preached at Christ Church, Media, at memorial services, May 31st. A reception to the Bishop and Mrs. Hart was held in the Parish House after the service.

On Sunday, May 23rd, the Rector of Christ Church, Media, blessed a new banner for the Church School. It will be carried in processions and will be given weekly to the custody of the class having the best attendance.

CHRISTIAN SOCIAL RELATIONS

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McKee, Rector of St. George's Church, New York, is a member of the Commission to Study the Bases of a Just and Durable Peace, of the Federal Council of Churches. He based his address on the recent study pamphlet put out by the Federal Council.*

* May be purchased from Room No. 30 in the Church House for twenty cents, and the Leader's Guide goes with it for five cents.

In mentioning Six Pillars for Peace, as outlined in the study pamphlet, Dr. McKee laid great stress on the moral problems in back of them which will be felt as soon as the war is over; i. e., fatigue, moral overstrain, poverty, hatred and isolationism. He illustrated his point by reading a letter from one of the men in service:

"What I want is civilians who 'gave me a lift' shall try to plan for a world which discourages war and then rid themselves of prejudices of anti-social character. You at home can be active and articulate. The world is in a flux. You must exploit the flux while the thing is still moving. We in the army must plan the dangerous part in the condition of the flux. We do not exploit it for we are engaged in a military experience; but you can exploit the flux; if you do not do this then the fight is not worth while."

Dr. McKee concluded his address by saying that world order cannot come unless Christians change inside and launch on a spiritual crusade of private prayer. He suggested that we work through dynamic groups to study these problems in our parishes and that we give youth a chance to study them without interference.

A CONFIRMATION PACKET

St. Stephen's (central city) reports the largest Confirmation Class in 28 years. Just as men in the U. S. armed forces receive service kits, so these soldiers of Christ were each given a "Communicant's Packet" containing the following 18 items:

A copy of the *Diocesan News*; a copy of our national missionary magazine, *Forth*; Forward Movement Bible Readings; Book of Common Prayer; Did Henry the VIII Found the Church of England?; Confirmation Certificate; a package of duplex envelopes; Prayer Is Power, Alexis Carrel; My Rule of Life; A Child's Guide to Morning Prayer; After Confirmation, What?; The Ideal Layman; Some Common Sense Reasons Why; The Church and Our Dead; Holy Communion; Why I Prefer the Episcopal Church; The Charm of the Prayer Book; Symbols and Terms of the Church.

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Sectional Meetings Approved

Miss Julia Hill, Chairman, felt the great success of the year was the new plan of holding sectional meetings in the various convocations which showed the need for a change in program so that the Junior Auxiliary might go Forward in Service. They will be continued next year. Programs at these meetings were based on panel discussions on the Woman's Auxiliary program and the presentation of speakers on Race Relations. Fellowship and exchange of ideas were promoted and three new groups were added: St. Stephen's, Norwood; St. Monica's Mission; and Atonement, West Philadelphia. The Chairman also welcomed some young girls from St. Stephen's, Bridesburg, who were present and soon hope to start a group.

The members of the Executive Board attended the young people's service at St. Augustine's Church, Sunday, May 30th.

The War Service Chairman, Miss Nancy Roberts, is proud to announce that a member of the Junior Woman's Auxiliary at All Saints, Darby, is now in the WAACS. She is Miss Dorothea E. Taylor, 45 WAAC Post Headquarters Co., Camp Shelby, Mississippi. A letter of congratulations and a copy of the monthly bulletin, "News Flash" have been sent her.

Summer Activities

Juniors, don't forget to plan your vacation for a summer conference. It will be your best bet for a pleasant vacation this year. Please note the dates elsewhere in this issue. Miss Julia Hill will be in charge of the afternoon hour on Woman's Auxiliary program at the Diocesan Conference. Information about conferences may be obtained from Room No. 30 at the Church House or from Miss Ray Phillips, 3812 School Lane, Drexel Hill.

You are again reminded that our goal for our Christian Social Service Fund has not been reached so branches are urged to do one bit more as your contribution before the summer. Donations will be greatly appreciated by the Treasurer, Miss Eva Young, 4665 Germantown Avenue.

Biography in Religious Education

For a generation now the animal psychologists have been trying to sell us the idea that ideas do not and cannot influence behavior. If the contention were true, they would not need to exert themselves. But the evidence of the history of education strongly supports the thesis that ideas and ideals can mould character. With a young child the parent's problem is simple. It can be solved by applying the three steps: (1) make him do it; (2) make him like it; (3) make him understand why he should do it. Putting it in other words, the parent must condition the child, maintain his affection, and instruct him.

When the child is old enough to enjoy a story, it is time to begin the instruction. The writer recalls vividly how a first-grade pupil absorbed the moral teaching contained in the story of Reynard the Fox. It is largely a matter of the teacher's interpretation; if she had expressed admiration for Reynard's crooked ways, the pupils probably would have accepted his ways as models. But she was interested in character, and the pupil was influenced by an idea.

Professor Paul Monroe has pointed out that the Greeks, both the Spartans and the Athenians, succeeded in teaching character. The Athenian boy of fourteen to eighteen benefited by having a "living model," an older man who took an interest in him and whom the boy admired.

In early Roman education, the father took personal charge of his son's education, utilizing the three means, conditioning, affection, and instruction. When the lad said, "Dad, tell me a story," the father told him not one relating the pranks of a naughty god, but one about the commendable deeds of a Roman hero. Reverence for the powers above, piety toward his elders, consideration for those who are weaker than himself, fairness toward his equals, all these ideals of conduct were embodied in flesh and bones in the life of a Roman who lived or had lived under circumstances similar to those under which he and his father were living. Because the hero was near to him in race and time, his virtues seemed to the boy attainable.

In later stages of Roman education, biography was used in the

school in order to achieve the same purpose, character formation. Concerning the efficacy of Plutarch's *Lives* as curriculum material, Lecky, the famous English writer, has said:

Potent was the influence of such personal ideals when embodied in personages near in time and place and nature; more potent, indeed, than those of subsequent centuries wherein such ideals were furnished by saints, by those who possessed supernatural traits, or by Biblical characters living in remote centuries and possessed of racial characteristics of long ago.

Some twenty years ago the present writer, in teaching classes of high school or college students, began to use materials based upon American biography. Ten years later he published extracts from the biographies and writing of some thirty Americans under the title "Learning Religion from Famous Americans."

His underlying idea was this: the pupils know something already about the life of Daniel Webster or Robert Lee or Abraham Lincoln, they have caught the admiration with which the nation regards them. But they probably know nothing about his religious and personal life. Let them study the latter, so that they will transfer their admiration from the man's public career to his moral and religious character, and will adopt him as one of their life's models.

The curriculum for week-day religious instruction on released time, with credit toward high school graduation, needs a course which will correlate biblical and historical religious materials with the pupil's secular studies. In the senior year he has problems of democracy, social and economic problems presented in a simple, direct manner, such as: religious tolerance, racial co-operation, the conflict between the haves and the have-nots. A course in biblical biography will have little relevancy, because the economic and social conditions under which such men as David and Daniel lived are far removed from those under which we live. The time of John Wanamaker of Philadelphia, of David Lubin of California, of Thomas Cahill of Philadelphia, are almost as of today. What was the attitude of these men toward these problems? Here, perhaps, the pupil can catch an inspiration that will help him to take a religious attitude and seek an ethi-

cal solution for the problem. As Roger Babson has said, the problem of capital and labor is basically one of religion.

A study of recent biography should help the pupil to see that religion is concerned with my relations to God and to my neighbor.

RALPH DORNFELD OWEN,

Professor of Education, Temple University, Philadelphia.

SEAMEN HONORED

National Maritime Day (May 22nd) was observed by appropriate exercises held in Christ Church, in which Bishop Taitt, the Rector, the Rev. E. Felix Kloman, and the Rev. Percy R. Stockman, Superintendent and Chaplain of the Seamen's Church Institute, participated. Capt. Edgar W. Davis, U. S. N., the recently appointed Chaplain of the 4th Naval District, preached and paid tribute to the "unsung heroes of the sea." Hon. Bernard Samuel, Mayor of Philadelphia, unfurled a service flag, together with Mrs. Hattie McDowell, of Lima, Delaware County, who represented the families of the 224 seamen commemorated by the gold star of the flag.

A large delegation of seamen attended, and Mayor Samuel presented special pins to eight survivors of recent torpedoings as their names were called by Mr. Harry F. Conner, Philadelphia agent of the National Maritime Union.

The chancel was filled with over thirty floral pieces, in memory of the men commemorated. Following the service, these were taken, with over one hundred representatives of the donors, under escort of the U. S. Coast Guard, down the Delaware River for a brief service in which the Rev. O. M. Tressler, Assistant Chaplain of the Seamen's Church Institute, and the Rev. Ross D. Murphy, President of the Philadelphia Federation of Churches, participated, after which the flowers were cast upon the waters and carried to the sea.

ORDINATIONS

On May 30th Bishop Hart, acting for the Rt. Rev. Frank E. Wilson, D.D., Bishop of Eau Claire, ordained to the Deaconate, Otto Benjamin Berg, at All Souls Mission for the Deaf.

On Tuesday, June 1st, Bishop Taitt ordained to the priesthood Fletcher Pinckney Wood, Jr., in St. Paul's Church, Chester, at 10 A. M. The Rev. Mr. Wood begins his ministry as curate at St. James the Less.

Some Summer Conferences

VALLEY FORGE CONFERENCE

The Valley Forge Conference for Young People will be held at the Valley Forge Military Academy, for the ninth season, June 27th-July 3rd. The Chaplain will be the Rev. Richard K. Nale, O.H.C.; the Director will be the Rev. Wm. P. S. Lander; and the Rev. Reginald Mallett will be the Dean of the Conference.

The Courses and Faculty

The Holy Eucharist: Introduction—The Rev. Gordon B. Wadhams.
The Eucharistic Life: Advanced—Fr. Wadhams.
Catholic Doctrine in Life: Advanced—Fr. Wadhams.
The Sacraments—The Rev. Reginald Mallett.
The Spiritual Life: Advanced—Fr. Mallett.
The Prayer Book: Catholic Principles—The Rev. Wm. J. Alberts.
Christian Symbolism—Fr. Alberts.
The Gospels: Advanced—The Rev. Howard M. Stuckert, Ph.D.
Old Testament Heroes and Prophets—Fr. Stuckert.
The Growth of the Church: History—Fr. Stuckert.
Is It a Sin?—The Rev. James L. Whitcomb.
The Question Box—Fr. Whitcomb.
The Christian Life: Morals—The Rev. William K. Rehfeld.
Church Music—Fr. Rehfeld.
A Rule of Life (not open to S. C. K.)—The Rev. H. Bonnell Spencer, O.H.C.
The Servants of Christ the King (S. C. K. only)—Fr. Spencer, O.H.C.
The Church's Mission—The Rev. Emmett P. Paige.
Catholic Ideals in Church School Teaching—Fr. Paige.
Church Pageantry and Drama—The Rev. John R. Crockett.
The Life of Our Lord—A Sister of the Holy Nativity.
How to Pray: Introduction—A Sister of the Holy Nativity.
Programs for Young People's Fellowships—Miss Mary Frances Bemont.
Physical Director—Fr. Whitcomb.
Boys' Counsellor—Bro. Herbert, O.H.C.
Girls' Counsellor—Miss Caroline R. Irwin

The total cost, including registration fee will be \$17.00. All communications and inquiries should be addressed to the Rev. Wm. P. S. Lander, Rosemont, Pa.

BISHOP REMINGTON AT MEDIATOR

The Rt. Rev. William P. Remington, D.D., Bishop of Eastern Oregon, present in the Diocese on a brief visit, preached on Memorial Day, May 30th, in the Church of the Mediator at the morning service.

1943 AT SHRINE MONT

Presiding Bishop Tucker again heads the faculty for the fourteenth annual Shrine Mont Clergy Seminar, July 12th-23rd, with his theme, "Christianity and the Post-War World." Others on the faculty and their themes include: The Rt. Rev. Walter H. Gray, D.D., Suffragan Bishop of Connecticut, "Organization of the Church Today and Tomorrow"; the Very Rev. Corwin C. Roach, Ph.D., Dean of Bexley Hall, "The Bible in War Time," and the Rev. Don Frank Fenn, D.D., "Parish Administration and Work." The Rev. Churchill Gibson, D.D., of Richmond, will be the Chaplain and Dr. Edmund L. Woodward, Director. Seminar evening lectures are open to all Shrine Mont guests. Some twenty dioceses have been represented in the past. Clergy and their families share fully in the vacation fellowship.

A Vacation Opportunity

Many rectors of this Diocese and Church leaders and others know from experience the lure of Shrine Mont. But it should be more generally known that this delightful mountain resort, just a hundred miles due west of Washington, is accessible to the Diocese of Pennsylvania. The arterial Greyhound bus line from Washington up the Shenandoah Valley of Virginia stops at Mt. Jackson, where Shrine Mont guests are met by local auto and arrive in less than half an hour. Rates are reasonably low and recreational facilities include swimming, tennis, and hiking, and nearby there is golf, bowling and riding.

For the coming season the transportation problem is a factor of uncertainty in vacation possibilities, but for some of our Church people it is offset by the desire for one long vacation spent in such a well chosen place as Shrine Mont, where they may share the inviting wholesome atmosphere of the Church's life and fellowship at its best. For complete information write Dr. Edmund L. Woodward, Director, Shrine Mont, Orkney Springs, Virginia.

ST. JOHN'S NEW PRESIDENT

At the May meeting of the Board of Directors of St. John's Settlement House, the annual election of officers, postponed from January, was held. Miss Lily Cheston, of St. Paul's Church, Chestnut Hill, was unanimously elected President to succeed the Rev. Percy R. Stockman, who had expressed the necessity to retire from active leadership due to the pressure of other duties.

Mr. Stockman, together with the Rev. Edgar C. Young, of Phillips Brooks Chapel, and Mr. James H. Duckrey, Principal of the Harrison School, were elected Vice-Presidents. Mr. Sandidge was elected Secretary. Mr. Theodore Leonhardt was re-elected Treasurer, and Mr. William O. Gilbert, Headworker.

A MEDITATION

Men Ought Always to Pray

Prayer is assembling one's life before God. It has been truly called the Christian's vital breath. It is man's most natural impulse. Prayer is thinking things through in the Divine Presence.

It is accusing ourselves before the Great and Ultimate Confessor. Peccavi. I have sinned. Mea culpa. By my fault. By my most grievous fault.

Prayer is appraising, taking a just account of ourselves before God, self-examination, humbly before God, concealing nothing. It is talking with God; perhaps, even more, listening to what God, by His Spirit, may say.

Prayer is meditation, contemplation. Picturing the ideal. Comparing our faulty attempt to reproduce in human life the Divine Perfection—comparing attempt with accomplishments. Be ye perfect, as your Father in heaven is perfect.

Prayer is association with God—looking into the Face of God—and association begets assimilation. We become like what we admire. Our admirations and associations profoundly influence us.

"By all means use some time to be alone: see what thy soul doth wear: commune with thine own self."

Prayer is taking everything to God—all life, ourselves, our kindred and friends, our enemies, if any, our doubts and fears, our hopes and aspirations, our problems and difficulties, our successes and our failures—spreading them out before a loving and understanding God, who knoweth our frame.

Divine light shines upon us. Ofttimes we unravel our problems, or they are unravelled for us, in the very act of telling them confidently to God. "Come unto me all ye that labor and are heavy laden—and I will refresh you."

Prayer is the soul's sincere desire, it has been well said, uttered or unexpressed. Prayer cleanses and refines. As the Communion Office says, or prays, "that our sinful bodies may be made clean by His Body and our souls washed."

Dominus mea lux et illuminatio—God is my light, as the Psalm says.

Withdraw then from life, as thou canst, alone or in crowds. Shut to thy soul's door; pray to thy Father which seeth in secret, and thy Father which seeth in secret shall reward thee openly.

J. F. W.

MORTGAGE REDUCTION

The Vicar and members of St. Bartholomew's, 25th and Lehigh, in the Convocation of North Philadelphia, are making a determined effort to reduce their mortgage, and to take advantage of the offer of the Diocese to match whatever they can raise this year. The total amounts to \$1,125, of which the Mission is undertaking to raise half. Pledges and contributions already received indicate a successful outcome of this estimable effort.

SUMMER CONFERENCE

(Continued from Page 8)

that this period will prove a very helpful and pleasant one. At ten minutes before ten we are ready to start our first class session. Just take a look at the schedule on the right and you will agree with us that we have some interesting courses under splendid lecturers. They will neither be dull nor highly intellectual—they have been planned and prepared just for you. At 10.40 Mr. Manderbach does his exercises on the bell-rope again and there is a fifteen-minute intermission followed by the second period. This period is a discussion period under faculty leadership. And as you were listening and took notes during the first hour—now your leader will listen and take notice. You will be surprised to find how helpful and delightful this discussion period is.

The third period is decidedly "practical" and you can select the course which you believe to be the most helpful to you.

"School is out" at a quarter to one and fifteen minutes later we "invade" the dining room quite determined not to leave that place again until we have felt the satisfaction of a well deserved meal.

As for the afternoon—oh, there are so many things one can do. Mr. Ehly, who is in charge of the afternoon programs, will have a wide variety for the various groups of all ages. Mr. Doolittle will have his (now famous) nature walks, there will be baseball with all the trimmings of stealing bases and sliding home, and numerous other opportunities of recreation, such as tennis; then there is the swimming pool for a dip, or the beautiful porch with a good book from the library. The afternoon usually goes very fast. The Rev. John R. Crockett has the rare gift of actually knowing how to play the mandolin, and he will lead the group singing before dinner, which is scheduled for 6.15. Our Sunset Services are outdoors on the beautiful lawn in front of the main building. Many persons have referred to this service as one of the high spots of the conference—they are beautiful in their simplicity, and with Dr. Edgar C. Young as the Reader, they are bound to add much to the significance of the Conference.

Our evening programs will differ

THE CHURCH AT LARGE

COMMITTEE ON NEGRO WORK

New York, N. Y.—Announcing the acceptance of Archdeacon Harris as Secretary of the new National Department for Negro Work, an advisory committee is also named as follows: Negro members—Rev. R. I. Johnson, of Bern, N. C.; Rev. John M. Burgess, Lockland, Ohio; Rev. John H. Johnson, New York; Rev. George M. Plaskett, of Orange, N. J.; Judge Hubert T. Delany, of New York, and Dr. L. H. Foster, of Petersburg, Va. White members—Dean Haines, of Louisville; Rev. W. A. McClenithen, of Baltimore; Rev. B. C. Comer Lile, of Cleveland; Rev. Gardiner M. Day, of Cambridge; Mr. William C. Turpin, of Macon, Ga., and Mrs. W. L. Torrance, of Detroit.

ANGLO-AMERICAN COMMITTEE

The first personal conferences between American and English sections of the Anglo-American Committee on Missionary Cooperation will be held in New York early in July when the Rev. Canon Leonard Hodgson, Regius Professor of Moral and Pastoral Theology at Oxford University, will meet the committee in the course of a visit he is to make to the United States. Canon Hodgson is representing the English group at the suggestion of the Archbishop of Canterbury, and the Anglo-American meeting has been arranged for July 6th in New York.

The Anglo-American Committee on Missionary Cooperation is the new name of the committee which was set up more than a year ago to foster closer cooperation on missionary strategy and work between the English and American churches. It grew out of the visit of Bishop Noel Hudson to General Convention in Kansas City and the Convention's

decision to give financial aid to British Missions during the war period. The Presiding Bishop is Chairman of the American section of the committee and the Archbishop of York is Chairman of the English section.

JOINT COMMISSION REPORTS

The Joint Commission on Holy Matrimony has sent to all the dioceses a memorandum on two tentative canons dealing with matrimony. One canon says:

"A marriage ceremony does not make a marriage, and that where there has been no marriage in the sacramental sense, because of insurmountable defects of personality, the parties to the failure, under certain conditions, may be married to others by the Church."

The other canon says:

"Any person whose marriage contract has been annulled or dissolved by a civil court for any cause may, after the expiration of one year from such annulment or divorce, apply to the bishop of his or her domicile for permission to marry. The bishop shall then associate with himself at least three advisers, one of whom shall be a presbyter (where possible the pastor of the parish in which the petitioner has been a member), another one skilled in the law, a third a physician skilled in the care of souls as well as bodies, and with their advice and counsel, shall inquire into the circumstances of the former contract and the characters of the parties thereto." If the bishop finds the case warrants it, he may then grant the applicant's petition to remarry with the Church's blessing. The proposed canons also contain a pledge which the minister shall require the bride and groom to sign before performing the ceremony: "We, A. B. and C. D., desiring to receive the blessing of the Church upon our marriage, do solemnly declare that we hold marriage to be a life-long union of husband and wife, for the purpose of mutual fellowship, encouragement, and understanding, for the procreation of children (if it may be) and their physical and spiritual nurture, for the safeguarding and benefit of society, and for the advancement of the Kingdom of God. And we engage ourselves, so far as in us lies, to make every effort to realize that ideal of marriage."

from day to day. There will be movies, quiz programs, information please, pageants, square dances and other dances, and on Tuesday a talk by the Rev. Fred Arterton, the Executive Secretary of the Division of Youth of the National Council and a member of the faculty of the Conference. On the last night we will have our regular masquerade, followed by a religious drama under the direction of the Rev. John

Crockett. Short dormitory meetings close the day, a day filled with spiritual blessings, filled with friendship and understanding, filled with healthful exercise and fun—filled with all that is good for the welfare of our souls, and our characters—AND THE CONFERENCE HAS FIVE DAYS LIKE THAT. Of course you will join us this year!—and of course you will enjoy it!

P. C. VAN DER HIEL.

ST. BARNABAS' DAY

Friday, June 11th, was observed by a very full program at St. Barnabas' Church, Germantown, the Rev. E. Sydnor Thomas, Rector. The day marked the 36th anniversary of Fr. Thomas' ordination and of his association with St. Barnabas'.

There was a Choral Corporate Communion at 6 A. M. At 3 in the afternoon the Parish was host to the Clericus of Pennsylvania and neighboring Dioceses. Bishop Taitt and Bishop Hart attended a dinner to the clergy and their wives and some "friends of St. Barnabas." Solemn evensong was at 8 o'clock, at which Bishop Hart brought greetings and Bishop Taitt made the address. "Good Citizenship Medals" were presented to three young people of the Parish by Mrs. Horace H. Burrell, of Mt. Airy.

A reception was held on the church lawn and in the Parish House, following the evening service.

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AN ACHIEVEMENT

The organ at St. James Church, Downingtown, was in such a bad shape that experts declared unanimately that it was beyond repair. An organ committee, with Mr. Charles C. Perrin as its Chairman, was appointed which found a new electric Hammond organ which could be purchased. A drive for funds was started and in a week's time more than \$1,200 was raised, which, together with a legacy of \$500, paid for the organ. The organ, which was in use for the first time on May 30th, was bought, installed and paid for in two weeks' time.

GIFTS AT EMMANUEL

At Emmanuel Church, Quakertown, the Rev. Theodore J. Schneider, Th.D., Vicar-in-Charge, a Baptismal Ewer of spun brass, given anonymously as a thank-offering by a devoted member of the church, was blessed on the third Sunday after Easter, May 16th. A new and permanent Dossal, being made for the church by DeLong and DeLong, was dedicated on Whitsunday. The twelve-foot curtain, the funds for which were secured by the women of the church in just a few days' time, replaces the old, inadequate seasonal Dossals that have long been in use. It is of red velour, with two orphreys of imported Belgian brocade bearing the Pomegranate, the symbol of the Resurrection.

COMMUNICATION

May 14, 1943.

The Editor, THE CHURCH NEWS,
202 South 19th Street, Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir: The Commission on Music met last Monday, and the matter of the recent article on Wedding Music by Maurice Garabrant, published in THE CHURCH NEWS, was brought up. I was requested to write you that the list of music submitted was not in accordance with the views of the Commission; in fact, a great deal of it was entirely secular, and we feel that it has no place in Church services.

Very truly yours,
H. W. HAWKE, Secretary.

YOUTH "FORWARD MARCH"

The National Division of Youth urges a Whitsunday Corporate Communion for all youth groups, Sunday, June 13th.

Youth Sunday is announced for October 31st. Signers of the Rule of Life should report to Diocesan Counselor at this time.

Reunion Week will be observed December 26-January 1, 1944.

HONOR ACCORDED

At the annual parish meeting of St. James Church, Downingtown, held on April 26, 1943, the following resolution was offered:

"Be it Resolved: That the gratitude and sincere thanks of the Vestry and the Congregation of this Church be extended to Joseph Asbridge for his more than fifty years of loyal and helpful service as member of the Church, Vestryman and Warden, and that he be hereby elected an Honorary Member of the Vestry for life."

FOUR-CHOIR FESTIVAL

A Choir Festival was sung by the combined choirs of St. Mary's Church, Ardmore; Good Shepherd, Rosemont; St. Martin's-in-the-Fields, Chestnut Hill, and St. James's Church, Philadelphia, at St. James's Church, 22nd and Walnut Streets, Sunday afternoon, May 23rd.

The choirs sang a setting of the Magnificat and Nunc Dimittis by Charles Stanford, and an unusual evening anthem by Robert B. Miller, organist and choirmaster of St. James's, now serving with the R. A. F. The highlight of the festival was the cantata, "The Sower," by Harold Darke, a work very rarely done in this country, written for full chorus and tenor and bass soloists by this contemporary British composer.

The church was crowded and the program was well received, making a deep impression upon the reverent congregation.

Thomas Matthews was the organist-director. The organ prelude was played by James Allan Dash, and the postlude by Theodore Bulger.

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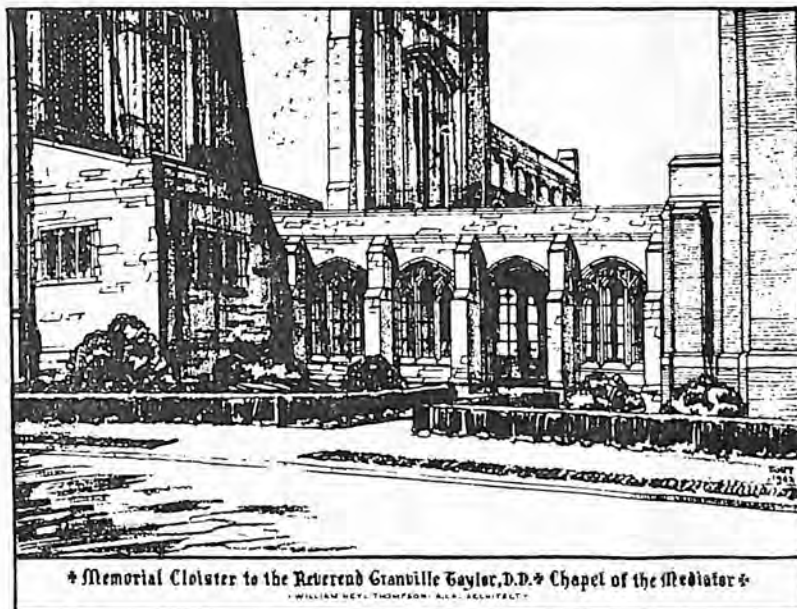
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AT THE MEDIATOR

The Rev. John H. A. Bomberger, recently elected Rector of Holy Apostles and Director of the Chapel of the Mediator, is giving every possible encouragement to the proposed Memorial Archway to be erected in memory of the late Rector, Granville Taylor, D.D.

A sub-committee of the Finance Committee of the Mediator, consisting of Wm. F. George and Bernard Robertson, are quietly and effectively developing the fund. Each week the Parish Leaflet reports progress; and as contributions mount up an investment is made in War Bonds for the duration. Subscriptions have been coming in very well, many from outside the parish. The estimated cost of the Memorial is \$10,000.

COMDR. THOMAS W. RUDDEROW

Friends of the family of Lt. Comdr. Thomas W. Rudderow, U. S. N. R., and of his brother, the Rev. B. Janney Rudderow, have noted with deep regret and sympathy that his death in action with the enemy has been officially reported by

the Navy. At the time he was Commander of U. S. S. Cythera. He was called into service while Superintendent of the Pennsylvania Maritime Academy at the outbreak of war.

He is survived by his widow, Katherine McIntyre Rudderow, and two married daughters; and by his brother.

MEMORIALS AT ST. TITUS

Several memorials dedicated at St. Titus, Elmwood, on Easter Day: A Service Shrine, given by the mothers and wives of the thirty-five men in the service; a Font Cover, given by Mr. and Mrs. Frank Simon, in memory of their son, Frank, Jr.; a Cross and Candlesticks for the Baptistery, given by Mrs. Joseph Smithson, in memory of her mother, Emma McCoach; and a Book of Memorials, the gift of Mrs. Edna Knorr, in memory of her aunt. In January the Vicar also dedicated a sterling silver baptismal shell given by Mrs. Harry Ellis, in memory of John Henry Knowlton.

On the Sunday after the Ascension another memorial will be dedicated—a Pulpit, given by Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Rudolph, in memory of their sister, Kathryn Holback.

The people of St. Titus are especially proud of their Service Shrine. It con-

sists of an ancient representation of the Crucified Christ the King; a Prayer Desk bearing a book with the names of the service men and appropriate prayers. The crucifix is flanked by the Church and National flags.

The Church flag is a gift of the Church School—one of the many useful and constructive things the children of St. Titus have so far accomplished.

SURPRISE GIFTS AND MEMORIALS

On Easter Sunday, at the 11 o'clock service, Rev. William O. Roome, Rector of the Church of the Messiah, Comly Street and Roosevelt Boulevard, received the biggest surprise of his life.

A few months ago, a chance remark of Mr. Roome's indicated he cherished the hope some day to see an oil painting of "The Last Supper" on the west wall of the church. Due to the untiring efforts of Mrs. Frank Fisher, aided by Mr. Christian Fuch, this dream became a reality.

The members and friends responded to this appeal so generously that it was possible not only to obtain this beautiful oil painting and a bronze plaque for it, but also a silver Communion Service and two silver Alms Basins, as well as a cash donation for the church, in commemoration of the eleventh anniversary of the opening and dedication of the present building of the Church of the Messiah.

The picture of "The Last Supper" measures 10 ft. x 45 in. and Miss Lillian Thomas, the artist, was present to see the picture unveiled and dedicated.

At the same service, the rector also dedicated the Chancel Rail kneeling pads, which were presented as a joint memorial in loving memory of Catherine Macaully Simon, mother of Mrs. Frank Fisher, and Agnes Isabella Whitaker, mother of Mrs. Lemira W. Grambs. Mrs. Fisher also placed three rugs in the Chancel in loving memory of both of her parents.

JOHN E. ZIMMERMANN

The death of John Edward Zimmermann, a vestryman of St. Thomas', Whitemarsh; a Trustee of the Community Fund; prominent in many other associations; Chairman of the Board of the United Gas Improvement Co., and one of the outstanding public utility engineers of the country, occurred May 30th. He is survived by his wife, the former Sarah Ann Frazier, and five daughters; also a half-brother, Ricardo Z. Zimmermann.



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The honorary degree of Doctor of Laws was conferred upon the Rt. Rev. Oliver J. Hart, Bishop Coadjutor of the Diocese of Pennsylvania, by Dickinson College, Carlisle, Pa., at commencement exercises held on Sunday, May 23, 1943.

Bishop Hart was the preacher for the occasion.

The degree of Doctor of Systematic Theology was conferred upon Bishop Hart by the General Theological Seminary, New York, at its Convocation on May 26th.

HARRISBURG ELECTION

The Rt. Rev. Hunter Wyatt-Brown resigned at the Diocesan Convention held on May 25th as Bishop of the Diocese of Harrisburg because of illness.

The Very Rev. J. Thomas Heistand, Dean of St. Stephen's Cathedral, almost immediately was elected Bishop Coadjutor to succeed him when the retirement becomes effective in the fall.

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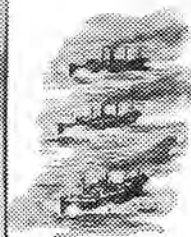
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